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#### **NOTIFICATION**

Whereas, the State Government proposes to initiate Jurisdictional REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation +) mechanism through the Forests, Environment and Wildlife Management Department by estimation of carbon stocks within the State and deploying them in potential national and international market for carbon credit purposes;

And whereas, the Jurisdictional REDD+ Strategy focuses on coordination mechanism and capacities of existing institutions to estimate carbon and non-carbon benefits from the forestry and allied sectors, such as biodiversity conservation and organic farming as well as from ecosystem services which according to national policy are integral to REDD+ implementation;

And whereas, this strategy calls for intra-sectoral as well as inter-sectoral cooperation to be achieved between and among agencies of the Government of India and the State of Sikkim;

Now, therefore, for the purpose of implementation of Jurisdictional REDD+ programme by Forests, Environment and Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim and to monitor, review and advise as and when required for smooth implementation of project objectives in the state of Sikkim, the State Government is hereby pleased to constitute a State Level Steering Committee consisting of the following members, namely:-

#### 1. The State Level Steering Committee

SI. No.	Designation	Department	Executive Body
(1)	Chief Secretary	Government of Sikkim	Chairman
(2)	Secretary	Science and Technology and Climate Change Department	Member
(3)	Secretary	Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department	Member

(4)	Secretary	Agriculture and Food Security Department	Member
(5)	Secretary	Horticulture and Cash Crops Development Department	Member
(6)	Secretary	Rural Management and Development Department and Panchayat Raj Institution	Member
(7)	Secretary	Ecclesiastical Department	Member
(8)	Secretary	Building and Housing Development Department	Member
(9)	Secretary	Urban Development and Housing Department	Member
(10)	Secretary	Forests, Environment and Wildlife Management Department	Member Secretary

#### 2. The Terms of Reference of the Committee shall be as follows:-

The Committee shall;

- (1) meet once quarterly or as and when required;
- (2) facilitate capacity building within various sectors of the Government to implement REDD+mechanism in line with the REDD+ architecture of the country;
- (3) enable co-ordination among the various sectors of the Government to formulate REDD+ plans and oversee its implementation;
- (4) monitor progress from time to time and suggest corrective measures/ additional measures as may be necessary;
- (5) advise the Government on issues relating to REDD+ or Carbon Credits for necessary policy interventions.

By order and in the name of the Governor

A.K. Shrivastava, IAS Chief Secretary Government of Sikkim GOS/FEWMD/GEN/2P/4.65